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PATENT  
Docket No.: 55839US002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

JOANNES SCHUREN, KURT  
ALLENBERG and ANDREW J.  
CALLINAN

Serial No.: 09/693,770  
Filed: October 20, 2000

For: CURABLE OFF-LOADING  
FOOTWEAR AND METHODS

Group Art Unit: 3764

Examiner: M. Brown

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 1, 2003, in which the Examiner applied a restriction requirement to Claims 1-21 (Group I) and Claims 22-36 (Group II). Applicants elect to prosecute Claims 1-21 (Group I) without traverse.

If a telephonic interview with the Applicants' undersigned representative would be helpful in resolving any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (651) 733-2180.

Respectfully submitted,

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